

Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Minjilang Local Authority
Thursday, 8 October 2026 at 10:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Member Lachlan Nabegeyo (Chairperson) declared the meeting open at 10:22am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement to Country before inviting Mayor Woods to chair the meeting.

2 PERSONS PRESENT

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson/Member	Lachlan Nabegeyo
Member	Clint Wauchope
Member	Shane Wauchope

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	James Woods
Councillor	Steven Nabalmarda

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Acting Chief Executive Officer	Grant McKenzie
Finance Manager	Imran Shajib
Acting Director Community and Council Services	Peter Mickleson
Director Technical Services	Grant McKenzie
Manager Technical Services	Kylie Gregson
Council Services Manager	Damian Sandilands
Acting Governance Advisor	Joy Mickleson
Human Resources Manager	Luisa Arango
Project Manager	Rajeev Devaraj

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

Agenda Reference:	3.1
Title:	Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice.

MIN1/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Clint Wauchope
Seconded Member Shane Wauchope**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Notes the apology received from Members Josephine Cooper (medical reasons), Charles Yirrawala (medical reasons), Matthew Nagarbin (NLC Meeting) and Chief Executive Officer Katharine Murray (on Leave).
2. Determines Members Josephine Cooper, Charles Yirrawala and Matthew Nagarbin and Chief Executive Officer Katharine Murray are an apology with permission of the Authority .

CARRIED

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Agenda Reference:	4.1
Title:	Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff.

MIN2/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Lachlan Nabegeyo
Seconded Member Clint Wauchope**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY acknowledges that there were no declarations of interest in reference to the items listed for the Minjilang Local Authority meeting held on 8 October 2026.

CARRIED

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda Reference:	5.1
Title:	Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes.

MIN3/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Shane Wauchope
Seconded Member Lachlan Nabegeyo**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY adopts the minutes of the Minjilang Local Authority meeting held on 14 May 2026 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 ACTION REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Review of Action Items
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Review of Action Items.

MIN4/2026 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Shane Wauchope
Seconded Cr Steven Nabalmarda

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Review of Action Items*; and
2. Reviews the outstanding action items and gives approval for completed items to be removed from the register.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.2
Title:	Installation of Bollards - Various Locations
Author:	Grant McKenzie, Director Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Installation of Bollards - Various Locations.

MIN5/2026 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Shane Wauchope
Seconded Cr Steven Nabalmarda

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Installation of Bollards - Various Locations*; and
2. Approves the allocation of \$31,142.00 for the supply and installation of bollards from the Minjilang Local Authority annual funding.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.3
Title:	Finance Report Minjilang Local Authority
Author:	Imran Shajib, Finance Manager

The Local Authority considered a report on Finance Report Minjilang Local Authority.

MIN6/2026 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Clint Wauchope
Seconded Member Lachlan Nabegeyo

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Finance Report Minjilang Local Authority; and*
2. Receives and notes the *Minjilang Local Authority Certification of the 2025-26 Local Authority Project Funding.*

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.4
Title:	Minjilang Creche - Future Use
Author:	Peter Mickleson, Interim Director Council and Community Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Minjilang Creche - Future Use.

MIN7/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Lachlan Nabegeyo
Seconded Member Clint Wauchope**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receives and notes the report titled *Minjilang Creche – Future Use; and*
2. Will carry out further consultation with the Minjilang community about the future of the Minjilang Creche and will report back to the next Minjilang Local Authority Meeting.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	6.5
Title:	Local Government Representation Review - Submission by Council
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

Member Shane Wauchope left the meeting at 11:09 am and returned to the meeting at 11:10 am.

The Local Authority considered a report on Local Government Representation Review - Submission by Council.

MIN8/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Cr Steven Nabalmarda
Seconded Member Clint Wauchope**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

Endorses the submission (and attached map) made to the 2026 Local Government Representation Review Committee.

CARRIED

7 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The meeting adjourned for a short break at 11:12am and resumed at 11:23am.

The Local Authority considered a report on Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence.

MIN9/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Clint Wauchope
Seconded Cr Steven Nabalmarda**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY notes there are no items of incoming and outgoing correspondence.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.2
Title:	Technical Services Minjilang Projects Report
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Technical Services Minjilang Projects Report.

MIN10/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Lachlan Nabegeyo
Seconded Member Shane Wauchope**

THAT LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *Technical Services Minjilang Projects Report*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.3
Title:	Pavement Defects
Author:	Kylie Gregson, Manager Technical Services

The Local Authority considered a report on Pavement Defects.

MIN11/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Mayor James Woods
Seconded Cr Steven Nabalmarda**

THAT COUNCIL receives and notes the report titled *Pavement Defects*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.4
Title:	CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services - Minjilang
Author:	Damian Sandilands, Minjilang Council Services Manager

The Local Authority considered a report on CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services - Minjilang.

MIN12/2026 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Clint Wauchope
Seconded Member Lachlan Nabegeyo**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *CSM Operations Report on Current Council Services - Minjilang*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.5
Title:	Human Resources Report
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Human Resources Report.

MIN13/2026 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Lachlan Nabegeyo
Seconded Member Shane Wauchope

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives and notes the report titled *Human Resources Report*.

CARRIED

8 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Invited Guest - NT Police
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Invited Guest - NT Police.

MIN14/2026 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Mayor James Woods
Seconded Member Lachlan Nabegeyo

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY defers the update on Law and Order by the NT Police.

CARRIED

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

Agenda Reference:	9.1
Title:	Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice
Author:	Katharine Murray, Chief Executive Officer

The Local Authority considered a report on Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice.

MIN15/2026 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Clint Wauchope
Seconded Cr Steven Nabalmarda

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY recorded for action the following questions from Members.

- Airport gates not closing properly - people have unrestricted access to apron and runway

CARRIED

10 NEXT MEETING

11 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Member Lachlan Nabegeyo declared the meeting closed at 11:39am.

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